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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated April 28, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-7.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 1 additional month to and including October 28, 2003 is enclosed.

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